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FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Before calculating the fee, please cancel claims 6-8, 10, 12, 18-58, 68, 81, 85-90, and 96, without prejudice.

Amend claim 59 as follows:

59. (Amended) A device [for carrying out the method of claim 18, the device]  
comprising:

[a] the pressure modulation apparatus of claim 1; and  
a pressurizable cell containing said phase, wherein said cell is adapted to fit within said  
apparatus.

In claim 72, at line 4, after "from the", but before "cells", insert --lysed--.

Amend claims 93, 97, and 98 as follows:

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